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## High Risk Youth Justice Specialist - SAFE Permanent Full-Time (35 hours per week)

### Youth Services Program

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Youth Services Program is a life skills program for youth who may have emotional, social, behavioral or mental health issues. The High-Risk Youth Justice Specialist provides 1-1 mentorship and education support to children and youth between the ages of 6 - 18 that have gang affiliation or family history of gang involvement. High-Risk Youth Justice Specialists connect individuals to services such as prosocial activities, health supports and education resources to youth that may have emotional, social, behavioural and mental health issues.

#### KEY DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Working with children and youth, ages 6-18, who may display one or all of the above mentioned issues.
- Responsibility for facilitating 1-1 or group activities in the community.
- Responsibility for creating and implementing strategies designed to work toward individual client goals such as the development of social and life skills, communication skills, behaviour management skills and increased independence.
- Responsibility for scheduling, report writing, budgeting, maintaining contact with professionals, parents, or community specialist that are in support of the youth's service plan.
- Responsibility for establishing and maintaining community partnerships with Surrey Schools, the City of Surrey, the Ministry for Children and Families Development and other community agencies in order to access resources and engage youth.
- Evening and some weekends are included.

#### QUALIFICATIONS:

##### Education, Training, and Experience:

- An undergraduate degree in a related field. Consideration will be given to other related education and experience.

##### Job Skills and Abilities:

- Excellent verbal and written communication skills
- Excellent time management and organizational skills
- Direct working experience with target population
- Strong understanding of the BC gang landscape
- Current First Aid certificate/Foodsafe
- Use of reliable vehicle and clean driving record
- Group facilitation skills an asset
- Ability to work independently, as well as part of a team
- Crisis Line experience an asset.

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**NOTE: Applicants not selected for an interview will not necessarily be notified.**

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\* An eligibility list will be maintained for up to 6 months.

**CLOSING DATE:** Resumes will be reviewed starting [September 18, 2019] but the posting will remain open until filled and will close without notice.

**PLEASE APPLY TO:** Heather Lynch, Program Manager  
Options Community Services Society

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Please include a cover letter clearly indicating the posting number [#A21436] and outlining your qualifications and related experience for the position.

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